The following instructions are intended to assist the user in starting the GA-6HA AC Generator. Please read the entire instructions before starting.

**Engine Oil Check**

1. To check the engine oil level, place the generator on secure level ground with the engine stopped.
2. Remove the filler cap/dipstick from the engine oil filler hole and wipe it clean.
3. Insert and remove the dipstick without screwing it into the filler neck. Check the oil level shown on the dipstick.
4. If the oil level is low (Figure 1), fill to the edge of the oil filler hole with the recommended oil type (Table 1). Maximum oil capacity is 1.16 quarts (1.1 liters).

![Figure 1. Engine Oil Dipstick (Oil Level)](image)

**Fuel Check**

1. Close the fuel cock before filling the fuel tank.
2. Remove the fuel cap located on top of fuel tank.
3. Read the fuel gauge located on top of the fuel tank (Figure 2) to determine if the fuel level is low. If fuel is low, replenish with clean unleaded fuel.

![Figure 2. Fuel Gauge](image)

**Before Starting the Engine**

1. Be sure to disconnect all electrical loads from the generator prior to starting the engine.
2. NEVER start the engine with the main circuit breaker in the ON position. Always place the main circuit breaker (Figure 3) in the OFF position before starting.

![Figure 3. Main Circuit Breaker (OFF)](image)

**Starting the Engine**

1. Place the engine fuel valve lever (Figure 4) to the ON position.

![Figure 4. Engine Fuel Valve Lever](image)

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**Table 1. Motor Oil Grade**

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<th>Season or Temperature</th>
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<tr>
<td>Spring, Summer or Autumn +120°F to +15°F</td>
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**WARNING**

Explosive Fuel Hazards

Gasoline is extremely flammable, and its vapors can cause an explosion if ignited. DO NOT start the engine near spilled fuel or combustible fluids.

DO NOT fill the fuel tank while the engine is running or hot. DO NOT overfill tank, since spilled fuel could ignite if it comes into contact with hot engine parts or sparks from the ignition system. Store fuel in approved containers, in well-ventilated areas and away from sparks and flames.
2. Place the choke lever (Figure 5) in the CLOSED position if starting a cold engine.

3. Place the choke lever (Figure 5) in the OPEN position if starting a warm engine or the temperature is warm.

4. Place the generator ON/OFF switch (Figure 6) in the ON position.

5. Grasp the starter grip (Figure 7) and slowly pull it out. The resistance becomes the hardest at a certain position, corresponding to the compression point. Pull the starter grip briskly and smoothly for starting.

6. If the engine has started, slowly return the choke lever (Figure 5) to the OPEN position. If the engine has not started, repeat steps 1 through 5.

7. Before the generator is placed into operation, run the engine for 3-5 minutes. Check for abnormal smells, fuel leaks, and noises that would associate with loose components.

8. Place the idle control switch (Figure 8) in the ON (up) position.

Connecting the Load
1. Place the full power switch (Figure 9) in the 120V or 240/120V position depending on application.

2. If small wattage power tools are required, connect them to the 60 Hz output receptacles at this time.

3. Place main circuit breaker (Figure 10) in the ON position.

4. Place main circuit breaker (Figure 10) in the ON (up) position.

Stopping the Engine
1. Place the main circuit breaker (Figure 3) in the OFF position.

2. Place the idle control switch (Figure 8) in the OFF position.

3. Let the engine run at idle with no load for 2-3 minutes.

4. To shut down the engine, place the generator ON/OFF switch (Figure 6) in the OFF position.

5. Place the engine fuel valve lever (Figure 4) to the "OFF" position.

6. Remove the load from the generator.